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MS PATENT APPLICATION
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Sir:

As authorized by the inventor(s), transmitted herewith for filing is a patent application applied for on behalf of the inventor(s) according to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.41(c).

Inventor(s): MURAOKA, Kiyoshige; YAGI, Noriko;
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For: TUBELESS TIRE

Enclosed are:

- A specification consisting of Fifty-two (52) pages
- Two (2) sheet(s) of formal drawings
- Applicant claims small entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27
- Applicant does not claim priority

Applicant claims the right of priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119 based on Application No(s). 2002-294590; 2002-370471; 2002-370472 and 2002-370473 filed in JAPAN on October 8, 2002, December 20, 2002, December 20, 2002 and December 20, 2002 respectively.

Certified copy(ies) is(are) attached hereto.
 Certified copy(ies) will follow.

Executed Declaration in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.64 will follow

Preliminary Amendment

Application Data Sheet in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.76

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